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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: OSP - OPPB Budget Hearing

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1. At 1400 hours on 2 August 1967 a budget hearing was conducted by OPPB in room 2D03 to discuss the OSP FY 1968 Operating Budget and FY 1969 Budget Estimate. opened the meeting by passing on much the same comments made in the OEL hearing, a day earlier:

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- a. The House and Senate are considering cuts.
- b. The pay raise expected in October must come from current funds.
- c. The President is considering a further cut.
- d. FY 68 will not be a good year, probably worse than FY 67. (In light of comments a. through c. this came as less than a blockbuster)
- e. There will be a hearing with BOB in October after which OSP will get their mark and can prepare phase II of the budget.
- f. OPPB, DDS&T, and OSP must have a unified, consistent presentation.

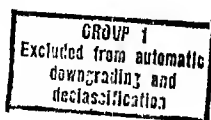
2. The first question of any magnitude posed by OPPB concerned the personnel reclama instituted by OSP. They wanted the identified. said three would be project specifications men in Design and Analysis, one a secretary in D & A, one in in Headquarters and two in . A discussion followed of where the entire force requested for FY 68 would be employed and broke it down as follows:



3. A discussion of R&D funding followed including the system development. said he felt that NRO would come through with at least 70% of requested funds and that they must be in a position to continue their R&D efforts. The system is to start systems development in FY 70. This program is meaningless unless it has continuity.

4. explained an increase in CORONA budgeting by stating that this program is being stretched until December 1970 and is being pushed back to April 1970. OSP will have to procure at least two more back-up CORONA capsules (NRO funds).

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5. The hearing hung up for some time with a question by OPPB of why there is an increase of [] in personnel services in FY 68. [] had no explanation and sent for [] who was also unable to explain it. [] asked that OSP check further and let him know. (Note - [] says this is due to an unlisted increase in average employment and was agreed to by Mr. [])

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6. An increase of [] in Commo Equipment was questioned. [] stated this was for [] for line leases, and possibly for [] It is all within Agency M & O responsibility.

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7. Several other nits were picked but these were the salient points of the hearing.

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